Advisory Group Meeting

Meeting: Advisory Group Meeting

Date: July 7, 2005 **Time:** 11:30 am

Place: Conference Call

Attending: Jenny Moe, Tina Guenther, Doris Tompkins, Patrice Thomsen, Cyndi Treaster

Agenda Item	Discussion	Decisions	Follow-up Required
Opening of Meeting	Cyndi opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.		
Harvest of Health/Cosecha de Salud	KSFHP completed production and is in the process of distributing a health education booklet with audio CDs in English, Spanish, and Low German. Topics include Health Assistance in Kansas; Prevention Services and Hygiene; Nutrition and Nutrition Assistance Programs; Depression; Alcohol Abuse and Smoking; Family Planning; Hantavirus; FAQs About Immigration; and Occupational and Farm Safety. The book will be provided to each farmworker family in contact with case managers and health promoters to access point agencies. She asked for comments on the Harvest of Health CD/Booklets before moving into the Health Plan.	Support given for distribution plan for educational materials.	Continue distribution of Harvest of Health
Health Plan and Business Plan	Review of Health Plan, Review of Business Plan, Performance Review Information. The Advisory Committee was provided and reviewed the three documents in anticipation of today's meeting. Review comments will be incorporated as the annual grant is due August 1, 2005.		Reflect suggestions in Health and Business Plans
Health Plan: Pregnant Woman Care	Current goals in this area were reviewed and discussion occurred on issue of women not receiving care until third trimester. This is an issue since the population is so mobile. Need to continue to work on educating women to importance of early care Registration into WIC and checking the eligibility in MEDICAID SOBRA is important to continue as well as six week checks and possible solutions suggested for better follow up.		
Health Plan: Access to Primary Care	All registered farmworkers should have access to primary, specialty care & pharmacy. 95% of all children should be enrolled in Medicaid or Health Wave. All registered children & adults should have a "medical home" that can provide affordable care. We can meet these		

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	goals in a number of ways, including having the CM/HP be more involved in assuring families have been appropriately referred and barriers addressed.		
Health Plan: Improved Management of Chronic Disease	Discussion occurred about if the asthma goal should be deleted from the health plan. There are not many reported cases and diabetes really is a bigger issue. It was agreed that great focus should be on diabetes. The diabetes initiative has been only minimally successful. As a response every diabetes client is being assigned to a CM/HP for information & support. Discussion on developing a simple form including pictures that the client could take to their doctor to gather CDEMS information.		Pursue further grant monies to increase focus on diabetes care and prevention. Develop plan for client form.
Health Plan: Oral Health	No change in oral health goals. CD/Harvest Booklet includes oral health information. CM/HP will also stress importance of daily oral hygiene with each client.		
Health Plan: Mental Health	Case Workers can help clients assess physical/mental health, along with Health Providers and Access Points taking family registration forms. We can also reach clients through the Harvest of Health booklet/CD. Referrals to community-based opportunities are vital along with developing trained providers. We also check annual licensure of providers each year. Mental health is a big concern. p.		Continue to focus on mental health and explore ways to be address needs.
Strategic Planning Meeting	A strategic planning meeting is planned to develop the program's 5- year plan. A firm date has not yet been set; it is being planned to take place sometime in the Fall in Dodge City, KS. Advisory Committee members are asked to attend.		
Health Fair	A health fair for farmworkers is being planned to take place in early November in Sublette, Kansas. More information about this health fair will be available once plans are finalized.		
Other topics	Each year the KDHE sponsors period free regional trainings in medical interpreting and cultural competency training. This training is open to Advisory Committee members. I asked to be included for training when the next training sessions are scheduled.		
Close	We ended the meeting with proposals & suggestions for improvement.		